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## **DOE Awards Small Business Contracts for Recovery Act Cleanup Work at Idaho National Laboratory**

**Cincinnati** – The Department of Energy Office of Environmental Management (EM) has awarded two small business contracts for work at the Idaho National Laboratory (INL) funded under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. North Wind Services, LLC, Idaho Falls, Idaho, was awarded a \$14 million construction contract and TerranearPMC, LLC, of Exton, Pennsylvania, was awarded a \$2 million cleanup contract. North Wind Services and TerranearPMC are both certified small businesses under the U.S. Small Business Administration.

North Wind Services, LLC, an Alaskan Native Owned Corporation will build protective structures at the Accelerated Retrieval Project (ARP) VII Facility and over Pit 10 West at the Radioactive Waste Management Complex. These structures are designed to protect workers from the elements and keep the radioactive materials dry until they are exhumed from Pit 10 West for final disposition. The contract is from July 30, 2010 to through September 30, 2011.

TerranearPMC will deactivate and demolish the Test Reactor Area-712, at the Advanced Test Reactor Complex. The contract period is from July 30, 2010 to July 30, 2011

In the last year, EM has continued to meet the goals of the Recovery Act by creating and saving jobs, spurring economic activity and accelerating waste cleanup. While implementing these goals and spending Recovery Act funds, the program has fostered unprecedented levels of accountability and transparency.

“Recovery Act funds have helped us make significant progress over the last year and a half while providing substantial job growth in communities across the United States. Recovery Act funding provided \$6 billion to accelerate the cleanup of nuclear waste at sites around the country, with the goal of reducing EM’s footprint by 40 percent. More than 20,000 workers have benefitted from Recovery Act spending, with 698 Recovery Act positions being retained or created to date at INL working at EM projects,” EM Recovery Act Program Director Cynthia Anderson said.

EM is responsible for the largest nuclear environmental clean up project in the world. After five decades of nuclear weapons production, the Cold War left 1.5 million cubic meters of solid waste and 88 million gallons of liquid waste that will require treatment and permanent safe storage. In addition to the decontamination of soil and ground water at these sites, thousands of buildings and structures must be decontaminated and demolished.

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